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GOVERNMENT OF PUDUCHERRY

DEPARTMENT OF RURAL DEVELOPMENT CHIEF SECRETARIAT (FISHERIES)

(G. O. Ms. No. 9-FY., dated 20th April 2010)

NOTIFICATION

The Lieutenant-Governor, Puducherry is hereby pleased to approve the pattern of assistance for the release of one time grant at Rs. 50,000 each during 2009-10, under the scheme "Strengthening of Fisheries Co-operative Institutions and Supply of Subsidised Fishery Requisites to Fishermen" to the Primary Fishermen/

Fisherwomen Co-operative Societies of the Union territory of Puducherry to promote their business activities, subject to the terms and conditions stipulated in the rules annexed (Annexure).

(2) This issues with the concurrence of the Finance Department, Puducherry *vide* their U.O.No. 26212/09/F4, dated 31-3-2010.

(By order of the Lieutenant-Governor)

N. Sumathi,
Deputy Secretary to Government (FY).

ANNEXURE

NAME OF THE SCHEME: STRENGTHENING OF FISHERMEN/ FISHERWOMEN CO-OPERATIVE SOCIETIES / INSTITUTIONS AND SUPPLY OF SUBSIDISED REQUISITES TO FISHERMEN

Scheme component for: Release of financial assistance in the form of one time grant-in-aid to Fishermen / Fisherwomen Co-operative Societies/ Co-operative Institutions in all the four regions of the Union territory of Puducherry for promoting their business activities.

- 1. Short title, extent and commencement.— (i) This scheme shall be called the "Pattern of Assistance for the Release of one time grant-in-aid to the Primary Fishermen/Fisherwomen Co-operative Societies/ Institutions".
- (ii) It shall be applicable to all the Primary Fishermen/ Fisherwomen Co-operative Societies / Co-operative Institutions in the Union territory of Puducherry.
- (iii) It shall come into force on the date of its publication in the official gazette and shall remain in force during 2009-10.
- 2. Definition.— (i) Grant-in-aid means financial assistance given as per provisions under rule 209 of the General Financial Rules (GFR).

- (ii) "Society" means Primary Fishermen/Fisherwomen Co-operative Societies / Institutions consisting of members belonging to fishermen community, which are being administrated under the Pondicherry Co-operative Societies Act, 1972 and Rules 1973 framed thereunder.
- 3. Objective.— The objective of the scheme is to strengthen the societies by extending one time financial assistance as grantin-aid, to promote their business activities for improving as well as enlarging it, in order to provide greater financial assistance at affordable terms to the poor and needy fishermen / fisherwomen to augment their income levels.
- 4. *Scope*.— To extend one time financial assistance during 2009-10 up to a maximum of Rs.50,000 (Rupees fifty thousand only) as grant-in-aid (GIA) to each society in the Union territory of Puducherry which is capable of achieving the objective of the scheme.
- 5. Eligibility.— Every society which has not been superseded and has an elected management as per the law in force and do not have a loan outstanding exceeding Rs. 1,00,000 (Rupees one lakh only) as on 1-1-2010 shall be eligible for the grant-in-aid on making an application in the prescribed format as per rule 209(1) of GFR and subject to the availability of funds under the relevant Heads of Account.
- 6. Targeted group.— All poor and needy fishermen/ fisherwomen members of the Fishermen Co-operative Societies/ Institutions.
- 7. Pattern of assistance.— (i) The grant-in-aid shall be released to a society on application, as Government's additional share capital up to a maximum of Rs. 50,000 as a one time non-recurring grant;
- (ii) The societies shall state clearly the need for grant in the application and furnish the following minimum number of documents:—

- (a) A copy of the society bye-laws.
- (b) A copy of latest available audited statement of accounts including income and expenditure statement.
- (c) A declaration about society's loan outstanding as on 1-1-2010.
- (iii) The societies undertaking to raise members share capital contribution proportionate to the grant-in-aid to be released shall be given preference.
- 8. Screening committee .— A screening committee comprising of Director of Fisheries, Deputy Director of Fisheries and a Deputy Registrar of Co-operative Societies nominated by the Registrar of Co-operative Societies shall screen all applications and recommend the amount of grant-in-aid for sanction.
 - 9. Sanctioning authority.— The Secretary (Fisheries), Puducherry.
- 10. Interpretation and clarification.— If any doubt arises with regard to interpretations of any of the conditions of this approved pattern of assistance, the matter shall be referred to the Principal Secretary (Finance), whose decision thereon shall be final.

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